

Claims in the Amendment

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Claims 4, 5, 7 and 8 in the original text have been deleted; Claims 1, 2, 3 and 6 in the original text have been amended; New claims 9-15 have been added; The remaining claim or claims are not changed. (2 pages)

1. (Amended) An electrical connector comprising first and second connectors each including connector terminals which are coupled with each other by coupling the first and second connectors with each other, characterized in that a rear holder for preventing the connector terminals installed in the first connector from being withdrawn backwardly is engaged with a rear portion of a housing main body of the first connector, and that said rear holder includes a locking arm having a free end extending forwardly and a locking claw provided on said locking arm for locking the rear holder with the second connector.

2. (Amended) The electrical connector according to claim 1, wherein said locking arm is locked with a housing main body provided in the second connector.

3. (Amended) The electrical connector according to claim 1, wherein said locking arm is locked with a rear holder secured to a housing main body provided in the second connector.

4. (Deleted)

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6. (Amended) The electrical connector according to claim 1, wherein said rear holder includes clamping lances for clamping said connection terminals within the housing main body of said first connector.

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9. (Added) The electrical connector according to claim 1, wherein said locking claw is provided near the free end of said locking arm.

10. (Added) The electrical connector according to claim 1, wherein said locking claw is provided at a middle portion of the locking arm.

11. (Added) The electrical connector according to claim 1, wherein said free end of the locking arm is supported by a part of the housing main body of the first connector.

12. (Added) The electrical connector according to claim 11, wherein a lower portion of the free end of the

locking arm is supported.

13. (Added) The electrical connector according to claim 11, wherein a side of the free end of the locking arm is supported.

14. (Added) The electrical connector according to claim 13, wherein an engaging portion which is engaged with a part of the housing main body of the first connector is provided on the side of the locking arm.

15. (Added) The electrical connector according to claim 1, wherein a plurality of said locking arms are provided.

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